TRAVANCORE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

FOURTH COUNCIL.

FIRST SESSION OF 1107.

Thursday, the 17th December 1931/2nd Dhanu 1107.

The Council met in the Victoria Jubilee Town Hall, at eleven forty-two of the Clock, the President, V. S. Subrahmonia Aiyar Esquire, B. A., B. L., presiding.

The following members were absent.

1. Mr. K. Padmanabha Panikkar.
2. Mrs. Anna Chandy.
3. Mr. K. Narayanaperumal Nadar.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Appointment of an Assistant Surgeon with qualification in Tropical Diseases.

21. **MR. RAMA VARMA RAJA** (*Edavagai*): Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether it is a fact that they have sanctioned the appointment of an Assistant Surgeon with special qualification in Tropical Medicines for treating leprosy and do research work in it ;

(*b*) how many have applied for it with the date of each application ;

(*c*) whether anybody has been appointed ;

(*d*) if so, the date of appointment ;

(*e*) the qualifications of the several applicants ; and

(*f*) if none has been appointed, the reason for the same ?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The Government have sanctioned the appointment of an Assistant Surgeon on Rs. 100 (one hundred), per mensem, temporarily for one year, to control and supervise the work of the Sub-Assistant Surgeons in charge of the Leprosy Clinics and treatment centres at various places.

(*b*) Four.

Name.		*Date of application.*
Mr. Josia Joseph	...	10-9-1930.
,, K. Subrahmanya Aiyar	...	14-4-1931.
,, G. Nilakantan Unnittan	...	25-7-1931.
,, P. C. Varghese	...	6-6-1931.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) This does not arise, in view of the answer to part (*c*)

(*e*) Mr. Josia Joseph—L. M. S., and special course of studies in leprosy and other skin diseases under Dr. E. Muir, M. D., F. R. C. S., Leprosy Research Worker.

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[Mr. C. O. Madhavan.]

Mr. K. Subrahmanya Aiyar—M. B. B. S.

Mr. G. Nilakantan Unnittan, B. A., M. R. C. S. (Eng.), L. R. C. P. (Lond.), D. T. M. & H., special course in Tropical Diseases and Certificate in Tropical Medicine and Hygiene, awarded by the London School of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene and special course in the London Ophthalmic Hospital and at the University College Hospital, London.

Mr. P. C. Varghese—L. M. & S., Ag. Assistant Surgeon in the Department from Meenam 1103.

(*f*) Mr. Josia Joseph, L. M. & S., who was selected for the post, refused to accept the same on the pay offered. The Government then considered it best to train an officer from the Department. Mr. P. C. Varghese, an Ag. Assistant Surgeon, has been selected and he has proceeded to Calcutta to get himself trained at his own cost. The appointment will be made as soon as he returns after training.

First section of the Kayankulam Kartikapalli road.

22. **MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN** (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether any estimate has been prepared for the first section of the Kayankulam-Kartikapalli road for which provision was made in the Budgets for 1105 and 1106;

(*b*) the length of the first section referred to above and the estimated expenditure for the same; and

(*c*) if the first section extends beyond the Pullukulangara temple, the estimated expenditure for the road up to Pullukulangara?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The first section is three miles long and is estimated to cost Rs. 33,634.

(*c*) It extends beyond Pullukulangara up to the backwater. The portion up to Pullukulangara is approximately estimated to cost Rs. 19,800.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): With regard to the answer to part (*a*), may I know when the estimate was prepared for that section of the road?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): Does the member want the date of the original rough estimate or of the latest revised estimate?

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): I want the date of the revised estimate.

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Governmet*): It was prepared during the latter half of 1931.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): When was the original estimate prepared?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): The original rough estimate was prepared on 8/11/1929.

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